

## Session 121 - (2015-2016)

### H 4845 General Bill, By King and Parks

**Summary:** Funeral home, director or embalmer

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 40-19-105 SO AS TO PROVIDE A FUNERAL HOME, FUNERAL DIRECTOR, OR EMBALMER MAY REFUSE TO RELEASE A DEAD HUMAN BODY TO THE CUSTODY OF THE PERSON OR ENTITY WHO HAS THE LEGAL RIGHT TO EFFECT A RELEASE UNTIL ALL FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS RELATED TO SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE FUNERAL HOME, FUNERAL DIRECTOR, OR EMBALMER WITH RESPECT TO THE DEAD HUMAN BODY HAVE BEEN FULLY SATISFIED; AND TO AMEND SECTION 40-19-110, RELATING TO UNPROFESSIONAL CONDUCT OF A FUNERAL DIRECTOR OR EMBALMER, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT REFUSING TO PROPERLY RELEASE A DEAD HUMAN BODY TO THE CUSTODY OF THE PERSON OR ENTITY WHO HAS THE LEGAL RIGHT TO EFFECT A RELEASE CONSTITUTES UNPROFESSIONAL CONDUCT EXCEPT WHEN THE REFUSAL IS FOR FAILURE TO SATISFY RELATED FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS.

**02/04/16 House Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 9)**

**02/04/16 House Referred to Committee on Medical, Military, Public and Municipal Affairs (House Journal-page 9)**

**03/09/16 House Committee report: Favorable with amendment Medical, Military, Public and Municipal Affairs (House Journal-page 29)**

**03/15/16 House Debate adjourned until Wed., 3-16-16 (House Journal-page 24)**

**03/16/16 House Debate adjourned until Thur., 4-21-16 (House Journal-page 10)**